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### 1. AUSTRALIA

QANTAS ANNOUNCED TUES AN INDEFINITE SUSPENSION OF WEEKLY  
SERVICE TO S AFRICA. ARILINE SPOKESMAN EXPLAINED  
TRAFFIC ON ROUTE JOHANNESBURG VIA MAURITIUS HAD DECLINED  
THIS YR/SUBSTANTIAL OPERATING LOSSES INCURRED (REUTER  
CANBERRA). - -  
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ALARMED BY FRESH THREAT TO ASSASSINATE INDIAN DIPLOS, GOA  
TUES REINFORCED ARMED GUARDS PROTECTING STAFF OF INDIAN  
HIGH COMMISSION IN CANBERRA (REUTER CANBERRA).

### 2. MALAYSIA

UPI (KL) DESCRIBES HOW COUNTRY'S ECON DEPENDS ON RUBBER,  
NOTING THAT ALL OVER MALAYSIA'S AGRIC ESTATES RUBBER TAPPING  
IS OCCUPATION THAT HAS MADE COUNTRY ONE OF WORLD'S LEADING  
NATURAL RUBBER PRODUCERS, ACCOUNTING FOR MAJOR PART OF

NATIONAL WEALTH.

3. INDONESIA

WORKMEN TUES BEGAN TRYING SALVAGE US OIL RIG WHICH CAP-SIZED OFF E BORNEO TOWN FRIDAY, KILLING ONE/INJURING 3 OTHERS (REUTER JAKARTA).

4. INDOCHINA

IN STATEMENT ISSUED IN HANOI 9/19, "VIETNAM PEACE CMTE" CHARGED NUKE BOMB PRODUCTION IS PART OF US "TRADITIONAL BLACKMAIL POLICY" AGAINST SOCIALIST CAMP/NATIONAL LIBERATION MOVEMENT/PROGRESSIVE MANKIND (REUTER HK).

REUTER'S ROGERS (VIENTIANE 9/19) REPORTS LAOS FACES PROSPECTS OF SEVERE FOOD SHORTAGES NEXT YR IF URGENT INTL EFFORTS NOT MADE TO HELP COUNTRY NOW.

5. VIET REFUGEES

KAMM (NYT MANILA) OBSERVES THAT THOUSANDS OF VIET "BOAT UNCLASSIFIED

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PEOPLE" WHO FLED COUNTRY ARE PRINCIPAL SOURCE OF CRITICAL FIRST-HAND INFO ABOUT SRV. NOTES THEIR ACCOUNTS OF WHY THEY SOUGHT EXILE AT GREAT RISK PRESENT GENERALLY NEGATIVE PICTURE OF COUNTRY TODAY, PARTICULARLY IN PROVINCES.

NINETY-NINE VIET REFUGEES BOARDED PLANE IN BANGKOK 9/19 EN ROUTE TO SFO--FIRST TO LEAVE UNDER NEW US PROGRAM TO ADMIT 15,000 (NYT BANGKOK). GLOBE CARRIES OTHER ACCOUNTS ABOUT "BOAT PEOPLE" IN TOKYO/ISRAEL.

6. REFUGEES/JAPAN

FONMIN HATOYAMA SAYS JAPAN WILL PROVIDE VIET REFUGEES ARRIVING TOKYO W/RECEPTION FACILITIES/MEDICAL AID/JOB TRAINING. GOJ TO CONTINUE EXAMINE WHETHER ALLOW REFUGEES STAY IN JAPAN PERMANENTLY. ALSO, SPEC CABINET GROUP WILL CONSIDER INCREASING JAPANESE FINANCIAL AID TO UN REFUGEE COMMISSION (REUTER TOKYO).

7. JAPAN

SONY REPORTS 28 PCT DROP IN NET INCOME FOR FISCAL 3RD QTR/POSTS RECORD RESULTS FOR 9 MONTHS/EXPECTS FULL-YR FIGURES TO BE RECORD HIGHS. FIRM ATTRIBUTED LOWER QTR EARNINGS TO SLOWER SALES TVS/RADIOS/TAPE RECORDERS (WSJ; RECKERT, NYT).

MAINICHI SHIMBUN QUOTES JAPAN IRON/STEEL FEDERATION

PRES INAYAMA THAT INDUSTRY PLANS REINSTATE VOLUNTARY

RESTRICTIONS ON STEEL EXPORTS TO US NEXT YR IN ORDER  
EASE AMERICAN CRITICISM AGAINST RISING JAPANESE IMPORTS  
(WP).

8. KOREA

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SEN ETHICS CMTE APPOINTS WASHINGTON LAWYER VICTOR KRAMER  
AS SPECIAL COUNSEL TO LEAD INQUIRY INTO POSSIBLE KOREAN  
INFLUENCE-BUYING IN SENATE (REUTER 9/19; NORDLINGER,  
SUN; SIDDON, CHITRIB; TAYLOR, WSTAR 9/19). IN MAKING  
ANNOUNCEMENT, CMTE CHRMN STEVENSON ALSO WARNED NON-COOPER-  
ATION BY SK W/INVESTIGATIONS HERE WOULD BE CONSIDERED  
"PROVOCATIVE"/"ACT OF INGRATITUDE" (HALLORAN, NYT).

SPEAKING TO WASHINGTON CONF JAPANESE/US PARLIAMENTARIANS  
9/19, SEN MCGOVERN URGED US TAKE LEAD IN SEEKING MORE  
DURABLE PEACE IN KOREAN PENINSULA. SAID US SHOULD STOP  
GIVING UNCONDITIONAL SUPPORT TO ROKG, ADDING PRES PARK  
GUILTY OF NUMEROUS HUMAN RTS VIOLATIONS. PROPOSED US  
ANNOUNCE WILLINGNESS ENTER INTO EXPLORATORY TALKS W/NK  
ON MIL PROBLEMS, WHILE INVITING SK JOIN TALKS SOON AS  
IT HAS FORMULATED OWN PROPOSALS FOR FORCE REDUCTIONS/ARMS  
CONTROLS/ETC (REUTER 9/19; UPI, WSTAR 9/19).

HOUSE INVESTIGATORS 9/19 BEGAN INTERROGATING FORMER  
REP HANNA (D-CALIF) ABOUT DEALINGS W/TONGSUN PARK.  
SOURCES SAID HANNA QUESTIONED RE INVOLVEMENT IN PARK'S  
BUSINESS AS RICE BROKER (REID, WP).

NYT'S MALCOLM (SEOUL) SAYS ROKG OFFICIALS, THRU VARIETY  
NEWS LEAKS, HAVE HINTED THEY MIGHT INDICT/DEMAND REPATRI-  
ATION FROM US OF KIM HYUNG WOOK--EXILED FORMER KCIA  
CHIEF. QUOTING UNNAMED "AUTHORITATIVE" SOURCES,  
"DONG-A-ILBO" SAID ROKG WAS PREPARING FORMAL CHARGES  
AGAINST KIM FOR LIBEL/VIOLATION FOREX REGULATIONS/VIOLA-  
TION ANTI-COMMUNISM LAW BY AIDING ENEMY THRU CRITICISM  
PARK CHUNG HEE.

IN NYU GRAD SCHOOL ADDRESS 9/19, HAK CALLED FOR CLEARER  
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DISTINCTION BETW AUTHORITARIAN/TOTALITARIAN GOVTS IN  
ADMIN'S HUMAN RTS POLICY. SAID WHILE "SOME TRANSGRESSIONS  
OF HUMAN RIGHTS" EXISTED IN ARGENTINA/IRAN/SK, THEY  
ALSO FACED REAL THREATS THAT HAD TO BE DEALT WITH (REUTER  
9/19).

KOREA DEVELOPMENT FINANCE CORP, WHICH LENDS FUNDS TO DOMESTIC BORROWERS, HAS SUCCESSFULLY RAISED 20 MIL DOLS IN PVT MKT/MAY STEP UP FUND-RAISING FROM THIS SOURCE IN FUTURE (WSJ).

KCNA ACCUSES US OF SENDING HIGH-ALTITUDE AIRCRAFT ON SPY MISSION OVER NK ON 2 OCCASIONS SINCE 9/19. SAID "CEASELESS ESPIONAGE ACTS" US COMMITTING "SHOW HOW DESPERATELY THE ENEMY IS WORKING" TO STEP UP "WAR PREPARATIONS" BEHIND "SMOKESCREEN" US PULLOUT SK (REUTER HK). US FORCES COMMAND IN SK REFUSED COMMENT ON CHARGES (REUTER SEOUL).

#### 9. CHINA

RE RECENT PRC NUCLEAR TEST, DOS SPOKESMAN 9/19 SAID US HAS LONG OPPOSED ATMOSPHERIC TESTING NUCLEAR DEVICES/ THAT THIS POSITION WELL KNOWN TO EVERYONE, INCL CHINESE/ THAT US WOULD LIKE ALL NATIONS SIGN 1968 NUCLEAR NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY BUT PRC HAS NOT/DID NOT KNOW IF US WOULD FORMALLY PROTEST PRC TEST (REUTER 9/19).

ACCORDING "TASS" MONGOLIA HAS CHARGED PRC LEADERS W/ PURSUING "INCENDIARY" FON POL AIMED AT PROVOKING NUCLEAR WAR. TASS QUOTED MONGOLIAN CCP NEWSPAPER, UNEW AS SAYING PRC GOAL IS PROVOKE NUCLEAR HOLOCAUST/"ABOVE ALL, MIL CONFLICTS BETW SOVIET UNION/UNITED STATES." UNEW SAID TO HAVE LABELLED PRC LEADERSHIPS' RECENT REMARKS PROCLAIMING INEVITABILITY OF NEW WORLD WAR AS "OPENLY INCENDIARY NATURE" (REUTER MOSCOW, 9/19).

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USSR/ALLIES WALKED OUT OF PEKING BANQUET 9/18 FOR NIGER HEAD OF STATE KOUNTCHE DURING SCATHING ATTACK ON SOVIET INVOLVEMENT IN AFRICA, MADE BY LI HSIEN-NIEN (REUTER PEKING 9/19).

PRC MIL LEADER HSU HSIANG-CHIEN DISCLOSED THAT FACTIONAL CONFLICT IN RECENT YRS HAS CREATED DISCIPLINE PROBLEM IN ARMY; W/SOME OFFICERS/MEN DISOBEYING ORDERS FOR SUPPOSED POL REASONS OR BARGAINING OVER HOW FAR TO CARRY THEM OUT. HSU CALLED ON ARMY TO REVIVE COMMUNIST TRADITION DISCIPLINE/ HONESTY. HIS REMARKS ALSO INDICATED PLA IN PROCESS OF "INVESTIGATING EVERY PERSON/EVERY MATTER IN THE ARMY CONNECTED" W/GANG OF 4.

NYT ALSO NOTED IN SAME ARTICLE STABBING OF NY BUSINESSMAN RICHARD TALMADGE WHILE HE WALKING ALONG CHANGAN CHIEH. ACCORDING TO PEKING SOURCES, ASSAILANT DETAINED/APPEARED UNSTABLE. TALMADGE HOSPITALIZED (NYT-HK).

NYDN NOTES REPORTS THAT COSMOS PLAYER "TOPIC" STABBED WERE ERRONEOUS. IDENTIFIED VICTIM AS TALMADGE/ALSO THAT IT COULD NOT BE LEARNED WHY ORIGINAL ITEMS NAMED TOPIC AS VICTIM.

ACCORDING NCNA, TACHING "FULFILLED/OVERFULFILLED" STATE QUOTAS FOR CRUDE OIL PRODUCTION/PROCESSING DURING FIRST 8 MOS '77 (AP WSTAR, TOKYO 9/19).

#### COMMENT AND ANALYSIS

#### 10. KOREA

WP SEES MCGOVERN'S 9/19 WASHINGTON SPEECH AS "IMPORTANT UNCLASSIFIED

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AMERICAN POLITICAL FIGURE" PUBLICLY CHALLENGING "BASIC LINK" BETW WASHINGTON/SEOUL. DOES NOT BELIEVE MCGOVERN'S PROPOSALS REPRESENT CONSIDERED VIEWS OF MOST AMERICANS, BUT SAYS THEIR EXPRESSION REFLECTS ACCURATELY ATMOSPHERE BEING CREATED IN WASHINGTON BY SK'S "STONEWALLING." ADDS, "WE CANNOT BELIEVE" IT IS IN SK'S INTEREST "TO LET THIS ATMOSPHERE HARDEN."

KARNOW (WP) SAYS PRES' W/DRAWAL PROGRAM THREATENED BY TONGSUN PARK AFFAIR/FINDS IT DIFFICULT SEE HOW HE CAN "MANEUVER THROUGH THE MESS." REMARKS SKOREANS WENT WRONG IN BELIEVING INFLUENCE-BUYING TACTICS "WOULD SUSTAIN THEM OVER THE LONG HAUL," AND WH WENT WRONG IN BELIEVING THAT "SECRET" COULD BE KEPT. AS RESULT, OPN BACKFIRED, AND NOW US INTERESTS IN ASIA IN JEOPARDY. SAYS END TO "SLEAZY TALE" OF TONGSUN PARK/HIS "BENEFICIARIES" MAY TURN OUT TO BE "DIPLOMATIC CATASTROPHE."

CDN'S BEECH (9/15 SEOUL) OPINES CARTER'S W/DRAWAL PROGRAM "MAY BE MODIFIED BEYOND RECOGNITION, IF NOT INDEFINITELY POSTPONED." SAYS US ASSURANCES RE COMMITMENT TO SECURITY TREATY "RING HOLLOW" IN SK, THO 1 RESULT W/DRAWAL PLAN HAS BEEN TO DRAW JAPAN/SK CLOSER. STATES DESPITE WHAT THEY THINK OF KOREANS, JAPANESE "ACUTELY AWARE" THAT 530,000-MAN SK ARMED FORCES STAND BETW THEM/POTENTIAL COMMUNIST THRUST FOR CONTROL KOREAN PENINSULA.

#### 11. JAPAN

WP REPRINTS SAMUELSON ITEM FROM NATL JOURNAL, IN WHICH HE DISCUSSES US-JAPAN TRADE RELS. SAYS IN ORDER APPRECIATE JAPANESE VIEW OF THINGS, ONE MUST REALIZE JAPAN'S SENSE ECON INSECURITY; FACT ITS ECONOMY NOT AS HEALTHY AS TRADE SURPLUSES INDICATE; FACT THAT US HAS FREQUENTLY PRACTICED SAME TYPE PAROCHIALISM FOR WHICH IT NOW CONDEMNS JAPAN. URGES BOTH COUNTRIES TAKE LITERALLY OLD CLICHE,

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"IF WE DON'T HANG TOGETHER, WE WILL HANG SEPARATELY."

GLOBE'S SNOW DOES LENGTHY REVIEW REISCHAUER'S "THE JAPANESE." FINDS FORMER US AMB TO JAPAN PAINTS CONCISE/KNOW-

ING PICTURE, DEBUNKING MANY MYTHS RE JAPANESE CULTURE (9/18).

HARVARD'S KLEIN (GLOBE 9/18) REVIEWS DAVID BAYLEY'S "FORCES OF ORDER: POLICE BEHAVIOR IN JAPAN AND THE UNITED STATES." PRAISES FACT BOOK "IS NO SERMON WITH 'LESSONS FOR AMERICA,'" BUT RATHER "EYE-OPENER" FOR THOSE UNFAMILIAR W/JAPAN.

CLARK (WSJ) SAYS AKIRA SUENO'S BOOK, "ENTREPRENEUR AND GENTLEMAN," "WON'T TELL YOU MUCH YOU DIDN'T ALREADY KNOW" ABOUT JAPAN'S ECON STATUS. BEST-SELLER IN JAPAN, BOOK GIVEN ONLY MODERATE RATINGS FROM CLARK.

12. CHINA

CO-AUTHORS VICTOR LI/JOHN LEWIS, BOTH STANFORD PROFS, STATE IN NYT ARTICLE THAT US' DILEMMA OF HOW NORMALIZE W/PRC WHILE NOT SEVERING W/ROC RESULTS IN PART FROM UNNECESSARY ASSUMPTIONS MADE BY US ANALYSTS IN/OUT OF GOVT. ASSUMPTIONS ARE: (1) WHILE CORRECTLY TREATING PEKING'S 3 DEMANDS FOR NORMALIZATION AS SERIOUS, US ANALYSTS TAKE THEM TOO LITERALLY; (2) ALSO ASSUME ENDING RECOGNITION ROC WOULD AUTOMATICALLY END MUTUAL DEFENSE TREATY. OPINE PRC MAY BE FLEXIBLE ON 3 DEMANDS AND CITE AS PROOF, JAPAN'S TIES W/BOTH PRC/ROC.

AUTHORS PROPOSE US IMMEDIATELY RECOGNIZE PEKING/DOWNGRADE UNCLASSIFIED

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LIAISON W/ROC, WHILE MAINTAINING TREATIES/ECON LINKS. SAY SCOPE OF TREATIES WOULD BE LIMITED TO TERRITORY ACTUALLY CONTROLLED BY ROC. NOTE INTL LAW DOES NOT REQUIRE THAT TREATIES ENTERED INTO W/ONCE-RECOGNIZED GOVT MUST AUTOMATICALLY LAPSE AFTER THAT GOVT LOSES DE JURE RECOGNITION BUT STILL EXERTS DE FACTO CONTROL. VANCE

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